MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know from the member whether there is a rule that a certain percentage should be given to graduates?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): Yes, there is a rule.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): What is the percentage?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): 25 per cent is promoted from among the ranks and 75 per cent is directly recruited.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): My question is, what is the percentage allotted for graduates?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*): There is no percentage allotted for graduates.

*Reduction of school feees.*

74. *MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Will the Government be pleased to state the extent of loss incurred by the private schools of the State for one full year by the recent Government order reducing school fees?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): Rs. (1,13,395) one lakh thirteen thousand three hundred and ninety-five for the rest of the current year 1934-35 from 1-2-1110, the date on which the reduction took effect and Rs. (2,20,624) two lakhs twenty thousand six hundred and twenty-four, for one full year at this rate.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know from the member whether the question of assisting the private schools is considered by Government?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): It has been considered and the question has been settled.

MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): May I know what that settlement is?

MR. R. M. STATHAM (*Director of Public Instruction*): The settlement is that, subject to the matter being placed before the Finance Committee and subject to the vote of this House, full compensation will be paid to such schools as the department is satisfied with in so far as their amounts are concerned.

*Grant of land to the S. N. V. English High School, Nedunganda.*

75. *MR. K. PADMANABHAN (*Chirayinkil I*): Will the Government be pleased to state

(*a*) whether they have passed an order giving a slice of land from the Ariyittakunnu camp-shed compound (in Nedunganda, Chirayinkil taluk) to the S. N. V. English High School, Nedunganda; and

(*b*) whether the possession of the plot has been delivered to the school?

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